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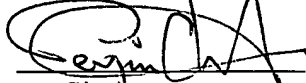
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Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in this application. Copies of the references are enclosed.

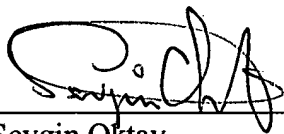
The documents identified on the attached form PTO-1449 include documents which are cited in the International Search Report ("ISR") of International Application No. PCT/US01/48034 ("the PCT application") of which the referenced application is the U.S. national stage application. A copy of the ISR is enclosed.

Applicants also enclose copies of the references cited in the ISR, EP 0 884 029 and EP 0 968 689. The EP 0 968 689 reference is in the German language, therefore, we have provided the Examiner with an English language Abstract.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be due for any reason in connection with the referenced application to Deposit Account No. 23-1703.

Dated: October 28, 2002

Respectfully submitted,



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